

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hirotaka KURITA et al. Application No.: 10/552,172 Confirmation No.: 6524 Filing or 371(c) Date: October 5, 2005 Title: ENGINE COMPONENT PART AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME	Art Unit: 3747  Examiner: J. Benton
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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page      of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page      of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet. An **Appendix** including the amended drawing figures is attached following page      of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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